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Cc: Bohn, Tom (Fire)

Subject: Re: [WGNA] fire station meeting 3/27

Dear eListers,

Normally I do not make comments on the eList as I respect its community aspect. However in this case public safety is important to me for our city and our neighborhood.

The staff presentation from the fire department is on the District 6 website under "staff presentations"

I stated at the public meeting Thursday I prefer to keep station 6 open at no ongoing labor cost by distributing the fire personnel between station 6 and station 37. (We will have small expenses for the extra station like utilities) To staff both stations fully would cost between 2.5 and 3 million every year.

There are currently 5 fire personnel at station 6 per shift. If station 37 were to open we would add 1 additional fire personnel per shift. I would suggest splitting the personnel between both stations for a few years and see how actual situations, traffic and response times workout. One station would focus more on the medical calls which are 80 percent of the calls in our area mostly because District 6 has the most people over the age of 70 that live by themselves in San Jose and many of them in Willow Glen.

Let's hold onto the land because if we sell it for 800K after station 37 is open there will not be land available should we need to add another station later in Willow Glen.

The Council has made decisions that I voted against that would have fully funded this station without the sale of station 6 land.

Station 2 on the east side was planned for a 150,000 remodel however the council voted to spend 1.9 million on a complete rebuild ( I voted against)

When San Jose residents were polled about the upcoming budget the number one response was for the city to maximize its assets like property. We should look at reusing property for maximum gain with public benefit.

So in contradiction to this the council voted to spend 2.26 million on nets for the Los Lagos golf course out of construction and conveyance tax funds. (These funds can be spent on parks, libraries, fire dept). This golf course loses money every year on top of the 24 million we spent to build it. I suggested to hold off purchasing the nets and put this

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item into the budget process because if we spend the money on the nets we will never look for a more profitable use of that land. We waited 9 years why not wait 3 more months for a full discussion. For example I suggested turning the golf course into soccer fields and retail which would be profitable and not spending the 2.26 million on nets. Council voted to purchase the nets ( I voted against plus we have 2 other public golf courses in SJ)